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THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1950

No. XXIX of 1950.

An Ordinance to amend the Representation of the People Act, 1950.

WHEREAS Parliament is not in session and the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action ;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of article 123 of the Constitution, the President is pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance :—

1. Short title and commencement.—(1) This Ordinance may be called the Representation of the People (Amendment) Ordinance, 1950.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Insertion of new section 22A in, and amendment of sections 26 and 28 of, Act XLIII of 1950.—During the period of operation of this Ordinance, the Representation of the People Act, 1950, shall have effect as if—

(a) after section 22, the following section had been inserted, namely :—

"22A. Special provisions with regard to electoral rolls first prepared under the Act.—(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing provisions of this Part the first electoral rolls under this Act shall be prepared in relation to such areas (referred to in this Act as 'electoral units') in each State as the Election Commission may, in consultation with the Government of that State, direct.

(2) An electoral roll prepared under sub-section (1) shall be published in such manner and at such places as may be prescribed by reference to the electoral unit for which the roll has been prepared for the purpose of inviting claims for inclusion in, or objection to, such roll.

(3) For the purpose of the preparation of electoral rolls under sub-section (1) and the claims and objections referred to in sub-section (2), the provisions of sections 15, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 22 shall have effect as if for any reference to a constituency in the said sections there were substituted a reference to an electoral unit.

(4) After the constituencies in a State have been determined under Part II and after the claims and objections in respect of the electoral rolls for all the electoral units or parts thereof comprised in a constituency so determined have been disposed of in accordance with the rules made in that behalf under section 28 and such electoral rolls have been altered in accordance with the decisions given on such claims and objections, the electoral rolls for all such electoral units and parts thereof so altered shall be republished in the manner prescribed as the electoral roll for such constituency and shall, on such republication, be deemed to be the electoral roll prepared under this Act for that constituency :

(b) in section 26, after the words and figures "sections 15 to 25", the brackets, words, figures and letter "(including the special provisions contained in section 22A)" had been inserted ; and

(c) in clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 28, the words "in the constituencies to which they relate" had been omitted.

RAJENDRA PRASAD,
President.

K. V. K. SUNDARAM,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.